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Dear Jim & Vickie,

It has sure been cold here the last few days. Last night the temperature got down to 13. But, I suppose it might be just as cold back there.

Mike and I have been playing a lot of duplicate lately which we've really been enjoying. We usually do pretty well unless we just happen to make several mistakes. If I am at all tired, I play poorly, so I try to take a nap or be rested before I go. Last time we played we met a man who teaches physics at the U. He said he recognized your ^(Jim's) name, but couldn't really remember if he had you in any of his classes. He remembered Dr. Davis, though, and the big deal over him leaving for Corvallis. I am afraid I forgot his name, but maybe I can get it again some time.

Mike and I have decided to keep our apt. in Seattle when we go to work in Olympia! I am so happy about it.

We decided it just wasn't worth moving all our things down there and then have to turn around and move back. So now I am looking forward to going to Olympia since there really won't be much work involved.

We are having people over for dinner and bridge both nights this weekend, so I have to plan my menu pretty soon. Mom & Dad are going to a special dinner at the Swedish Club Sun. and then are going to come to our place. So, we will be playing a lot of bridge this week!

Poor Gail is having problems with her marriage, as Mom has probably told you. I am just sick about it. I'd like to try to talk to her, however I'm afraid she wouldn't like it. Jeanie said she won't tell her a thing, but I'm not surprised at that. It's so sad because I know Gail must be very unhappy.

Well, I get to go home from work in a few minutes. I will write later.
Love,
Mary